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Please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A construction management system, comprising:
a handheld computer adapted to collect construction data from the field, wherein
5 the handheld computer collects information on equipment type, quantity, hours in use and
stand-by hours;
a planning system to track budgetary information that manages multi-year
budgets;
a design system to perform site engineering assessment; and
10 a construction system to track material consumption and progress for each project,
the construction system adapted to receive data collected from the handheld computer;
wherein the information is transmitted in real time to the construction system to
provide up-to date-reporting, wherein new equipment added in the construction system is
automatically displayed on the handheld computer, and wherein an electronic signature is
15 captured and displayed in a construction system report.
2. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the handheld computer collects
work in progress data.
3. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the handheld computer collects
20 project and contract identification, inspector identification, item number,
location, and one or more description of activities.
4. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the handheld computer collects
labor related information.

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5. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the handheld computer collects labor type, quantity and hours.
6. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the handheld computer collects equipment information.
- 5 7. (Canceled).
8. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the handheld computer collects submittal information.
9. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the handheld computer collects weather condition, comments, and an inspector name.
- 10 10. (Original) The system of claim 1, wherein the handheld computer sends collected information to a server.
11. (Original) The system of claim 10, wherein the collected information is sent wirelessly using a wireless handheld unit.
12. (Original) The system of claim 10, further comprising a modem coupled to the handheld computer, wherein the information is transmitted using a modem.
- 15 13. (Original) The system of claim 10, further comprising a hot-sync cradle coupleable to the handheld computer, the cradle hot-syncing the collected information for transmission to a server.
14. (Currently Amended) A method for managing a construction project, comprising:
- 20 collecting construction data from the field with a handheld computer, wherein the handheld computer collects equipment type, quantity, hours in use and stand-by hours;
tracking budgetary information using a planning system;

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performing site engineering assessment using a design system; and
tracking material consumption and progress for each project using a construction
system, the construction system adapted to receive data collected from the handheld
computer, wherein the information is transmitted in real time to the construction system
5 to provide up-to date-reporting, wherein new equipment added in the construction system
is automatically displayed on the handheld computer, and wherein an electronic signature
is captured and displayed in a construction system report.

- 10 15. (Original) The method of claim 14, further comprising collecting work in
progress data using the handheld computer.
16. (Original) The method of claim 14, further comprising collecting labor related
information using the handheld computer.
17. (Original) The method of claim 14, further comprising collecting equipment
information using the handheld computer.
- 15 18. (Original) The method of claim 14, further comprising collecting submittal
information using the handheld computer.
19. (Original) The method of claim 14, wherein the handheld computer collects
project and contract identification, inspector identification, item number,
location, one or more description of activities, labor type, quantity, hours,
20 weather condition, comments, and an inspector name.
20. (Original) The method of claim 14, further comprising sending collected
information to a server over land-line or wireless medium.

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